(c) whether Government are contemplating on constituting any other anti-riot force in addition to Rapid Action Force; if so, progress made in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) 'Police' and 'Public Order' being State subjects as per Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, this information is not maintained centrally by the Government.

(c) No, Sir.

Traffic blockade due to VVIP movements

4266. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether VVIP movements in the capital have become a public nuisance because of long spells of traffic blockade;

(b) whether in a recent instance, students on way to appear for their CBSE Examinations, were held up on way because of VVIP traffic blockade and are asked to reappear for exams by the CBSE; and

(c) whether Government are aware of the severe inconvenience caused to the common man on way to hospitals and railway stations etc., because of traffic blockade for VVIP movements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Government is sensitive to the inconvenience caused to public on account of security arrangements made during VVIP movements.

After detailed deliberations with security agencies and State authorities, a number of measures have been suggested to all States/UTs to reduce the public inconvenience during movements of VVIPs.

IPS officers involved in crimes

†4267. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has drawn towards involvement of IPS officers in many crimes in various States of the country;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, whether there is a fear amongst public in the country due to involvement of senior officers in serious offences;

(c) if so, the number of such cases come to the Government's notice; and

(d) the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Government is aware of the complaints against IPS officers who get involved in crimes in various States.

(b) Since action is taken against guilty officers who are found involved in such crimes, there should not be any fear amongst the public.

(c) As per information made available by various State Governments, 97 IPS officers are facing departmental inquiry due to their involvement in criminal activities for the last three years.

(d) Complaints against involvement of IPS officers in criminal activities are duly investigated and those found guilty are punished as per the prescribed law of the land.

Terrorist Incidents

4268. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL.

DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) number of terrorist incidents occurred in Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years till 31st March, 2003 alongwith the number of terrorists killed and names of their outfits, number of civilians and number of soldiers of security forces martyred in such incidents;

(b) the details of the fresh steps taken by Government to check terrorism and whether it has yielded any results; and

(c) whether 'POTA' has been successful in checking terrorism indicating its role therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Number of terrorist incidents that occurred in J&K during the period 1.1.2000 to 31.3.2003 was 12342.

Number of terrorists, civilians and Security Forces killed during the period 1.1.2000 to 31.3.2003 was as under:

(1) Terrorists	5513
(2) Civilians	3043
(3) Security Forces	1436